



Kentucky Parent Information & Resource Center

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How to be an effective partner in your child's education.

School-family partnerships contribute to academic success for students. Become a partner with your child's school. We have noted ways to develop strong partnerships between the school and home. Use these recommendations as a springboard to discover other effective ways you can foster academic success for your child.

15 Ways to GET INVOLVED in your Child's Education

Make home a learning center

1. Know what your child is studying. Learn new things yourself.
2. Involve your family in community activities that expand on school learning.
3. Let your child know that you expect good work in school.

Communicate with the school

4. Inform the school of your child's needs and any changes in family circumstances.
5. Establish a communication system with your child's teacher and use it frequently.
6. Check your child's homework, attendance and academic progress often.
7. Respond to all messages from school.
8. Attend school meetings, events and parent-teacher conferences.

Help the School

9. Work with teachers to find educational materials, enrichment programs for students and funding.
10. Ask the school for ways to help at home or on weekends.
11. Recruit and train other families to form a volunteer group.
12. Help set up and manage a classroom phone tree or email list.
13. Learn how the school system works and how to advocate for all children.
14. Be part of decision-making committees at school. Organize a parent group in your school, or be active in your school's parent organization.
15. Be a public supporter of education. Get informed about state and local education laws.

Office of the Education Ombudsman – Governor's Office, Olympia, WA

KYPIRC Mission Statement

Coordinating services, sharing information, identifying resources, fostering contact, and creating a network to support the interest and needs of parents and schools, and subsequently improved academic achievement.



*The sky's the limit
for student achievement when
parents are involved!*

KYPIRC March Parent Trainings

Western KY Regional Training

March 25; 1:00—2:00 or 5:00—6:00

"A Parent's Guide to Parental Involvement Policies"

Lacy Elementary School, Christian County

North Central KY Regional Training

March 18; 6:00 pm

"Involved Parents; Key to Success in School"

Painted Stone Elementary School, Shelby County

Eastern KY Regional Training

March 30; 6:00 pm—7:30

PIRC Family Night

Betsy Layne Elementary, Floyd County

Please visit our website:

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for more March training dates and other helpful info!